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Road Conditions Improving County Using Road Graders to Assist with Slush Removal

The commute on Shelby County roads has improved. Still, there are driving challenges on less-traveled roads.

"The cold temperatures have kept some roads covered with an icy glaze. Salt trucks will continue to be out across the county treating roads," said Dale Lane, Director of the Shelby County Office of Preparedness.

This morning, Shelby County Public Works added two road graders to the effort make the streets safer. "The graders will help remove slush before it can refreeze tonight. Our priority is to keep these road graders on the main roads in the unincorporated areas," said Tom Needham, Director of Shelby County Public Works.

The Shelby County Office of Preparedness continues to monitor weather-related incidents through contact with area law enforcement agencies, the Tennessee Department of Transportation and the Tennessee Emergency Management Agency.

"Although weather conditions have improved, we're still facing bitterly cold temperatures for the next few days. People should keep a close watch on relatives and friends, especially those who are elderly, disabled or live alone. Pets should also be sheltered," added Director Lane.

For more information about preparing for winter weather, go to the Shelby County Office of Preparedness HLS/EMA Facebook Group or Twitter@SCOP_HLS_EMA or call **(901) 222-6700**.

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